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July 1, 2004

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the ☒ Utility ☐ Design ☒ nonprovisional ☐ provisional  
patent application of:

Inventor / Application Identifier: Hans-Juergen BAVING, et al.

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For: **PLUG-IN COUPLING**

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- ☐ This is a new patent application.
- ☒ This is the 35 U.S.C. 371 National Stage Application of the above-identified PCT Application.
- ☐ This is a provisional patent application.
- ☐ This is a: ☐ Continuation Application  
☐ Divisional Application  
☐ Continuation-in-Part Application  
of prior Application Serial No. \_.
- ☐ Cancel in this application original claims \_\_\_ of the prior application before calculating the filing fee.
- ☐ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:  
-- This is a ☐ Continuation, ☐ Divisional, ☐ Continuation-in-part, of Application
- ☐ Incorporation By Reference. The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

ENCLOSED ARE THE FOLLOWING:		
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	Preliminary Amendment
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	Assignment is of record in prior application Serial No. _.
	Assignment Recordation Form Cover Sheet.
X	Information Disclosure Statement
X	Information Disclosure Citation
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X	Application Data Sheet

PRIORITY CLAIMS	
	Applicant hereby claims the benefit of the filing date of the following provisional application(s) under the provision of 35 USC 119.
X	Applicant hereby claims the benefit under the provisions of 35 USC 119 of the filing dates of the following applications as indicated below and which priority applications are hereby incorporated by reference in the present application:  Germany Patent Appln. No. 103 30 408.8, filed July 4, 2003, Priority Claimed  of which certified copies thereof
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